

Abstract

Bachelor thesis "The Dynamics of Nuclear Proliferation in Countries outside of the Original Nuclear Five" deals with nuclear programs in countries that have not signed the Treaty on the Nonproliferation of Nuclear Weapons (NPT). The theoretical framework is based on the proliferation debate and in particular with focus on Scott Sagan's explanatory models. By application of Sagan's models on three case studies of countries which have not signed the NPT (India, Pakistan, Israel) and two case studies of countries that renounced possession of nuclear weapons (South Africa and Ukraine), the thesis concludes, that the nature of proliferation incentives is in most cases multidimensional and the classic realistic paradigm itself is frequently insufficient to explain the causes of proliferation.